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# Handmade For The Garden: 75 Ingenious Ways To Enhance Your Outdoor Space With DIY Tools, Pots, Supports, Embellishments, And More



## Synopsis

The DIY craze has moved beyond the craft room and into the garden! Relying on easy-to-find, inexpensive, and repurposed materials, *Handmade for the Garden* is a treasure trove of original projects that not only make planting and growing efficient and successful but also add a personal touch to the gardenscape. Among the myriad projects in this hardworking book are mini hothouses; painted, stamped, and stenciled terracotta planters; hypertufa and cement pots and decorations; rustic and formal fencing and trellises; plant markers and stakes; and sieves and baskets. With *Handmade for the Garden* to inspire them, gardeners of all skill levels will be empowered to experiment with form and function to discover creative, artful ways to personalize and beautify their gardens with handmade objects.

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## Customer Reviews

As spring takes its own sweet time in coming, you can save pennies and get a jump start on gardening with Susan Guagliumi's *Handmade for the Garden* as your guide. • (New American Homesteader) Susan Guagliumi puts a chic, modern spin on garden upcycling . . . We love the way she took a leaky old hose and made it into a garden pot. • (Birds and Blooms) This book is jam-packed with instruction. That is a real plus. • (Getting Stitched on the Farm) A treasure trove of original projects. • (Poppytalk) This book adds a new dimension to playing outside . . . if you love the garden, tinkering with tools and creating beautiful objects for out-of-doors, this is your book. • (Examiner.com) Takes DIY skills into the garden. • (Publishers Weekly) Ideas in

this crafting-meets-gardening guide book range from clever ways to repurpose hoses (make them into a planter) to illustrated step-by-step instructions for making mosaic pots and rustic trellis frames. • (New Orleans Times-Picayune) • "This book is bursting with beautiful and creative ways of using everyday materials to liven up your outdoor spaces." • (Country Woman) • "Two of the most humble [projects] are my favorites. They set the DIY bar low enough to admit all, and they guarantee success . . . they will make me feel like a DIY genius." • (BookPage) • "Enhance your outdoor space with décor and functionality." • (Mother Earth Living) • "This book is bursting with beautiful and creative ways of using everyday materials to liven up your outdoor spaces" • (Country Woman Magazine) • "This book adds new dimension to playing outside . . . if you love the garden, tinkering with tools and creating beautiful objects for out-of-doors, this is your book." • (Examiner.com) • "Any person with a modicum of entry-level crafting skills can add individual flair to their garden following the descriptive step-by-step instructions . . . many illustrations depict precise details in the fabrication process. A source list, with website addresses, will prove useful to those who cannot find supplies at their local home improvement center." • (Better Homes and Gardens / Country Gardens)

Susan Guagliumi has restored the interiors and gardens of two early 19th-century homes, and her gardening projects are a compilation of 10 years of research, exploration, experimentation, and creativity. She is also the author of several machine- and hand-knitting books and has led craft workshops in the United States and abroad. She lives in Northford, Connecticut.

My copy of Handmade for the Garden arrived yesterday and I have not been able to put it down. I already have three projects lined up that I can get started on even though there's still snow on the ground here in northwestern Connecticut. The project I'm most excited about is the willow switch fencing in page 156. The book is so beautifully shot, and the instructions for things I never would have thought to try are easy to follow and beautifully illustrated. Guagliumi's whole approach makes me want to up my game in the garden. She needs her own TV show!

It's not fair that this book arrives when there is still snow on the ground! It will inspire you to add a personal and artful touch to your outdoor surroundings. The illustrations and instructions are simple and the ideas so creative. I think this book would make an ideal gift for garden friends.

Want the perfect gift for the novice to experienced gardener? This is it!!! Even though Susan lives in

the East Coast, her ideas, tips and step by step instructions apply to gardening throughout the country. I love how she pairs plants with pots, like pairing wine with meals. I've been following her and her blog for years - this book is stellar!!

My copy of Handmade for the Garden arrived today. The imagination of the author shines through as she suggests ways to enhance our outdoor space. The book is very well written, and the directions are easy to follow. Photography is fabulous. I am ready to get started. This book is an inspiration!!!!

Love it. The book is smart and helpful and full of good ideas for garden projects that will save money and look good.

Loved this book from the moment I opened it. Ms. Guagliumi is an articulate writer and presented a potpourri of unique and exciting garden projects just in time for spring. I am looking forward to filling some of last last year's gourds with concrete to make lasting yard art. Seed tapes and dibbles will help with spring planting. Fun, interesting , informative and a beautiful book for years to come. Thank you!

lots of very good ideas.

It is a terrific book. I had read it from the library and liked it so much, I wanted to own it. It has great ideas, inexpensive and imaginative. Fun projects with good instructions and pictures.

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